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Ben Schapiro: From the Director's Desk

In 2008, over 32,000 people attended more than 1,500 programs at the Library. And 2009 is shaping up as an even busier year, with January attendance of over 3,000 for classes, movies, book discussions, and other programs. Your continued attendance at library programs is very important to us, so I'm pleased to announce EventKeeper, a new event calendar web page and registration system which provides many new features and benefits. You can:

- search the calendar by event keywords
- sort events by recommended audience age, topic, month, and year
- view the calendar by month, week, or day, and read detailed descriptions of events, with links to related web pages,
- self-register for events
- set up your own account to view, cancel, or track your own registrations
- request e-mail event reminders and/or send an e-mail to a friend who might also want to attend the event

RSS feeds enable you to subscribe to the calendar to easily find out about new events. Check out the new calendar at calendar.webrary.org.

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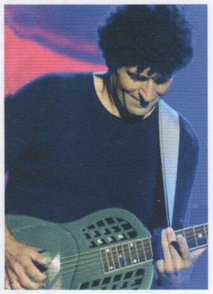
Abraham Lincoln in Song

Sun., March 22, 2 pm



The life of Abraham Lincoln spanned a period of change, growth and struggle for our young nation, and the music of his era movingly characterizes those remarkable times. Award-winning folksinger Chris Vallillo uses contemporary folk music and period folk songs to shed light on one of history's most beloved figures – not only as a remarkable leader, but as a man.

Spring Blast Outdoor Festival

Sat., April 25, 10 am - 2:30 pm

Families and friends of all ages are invited to the Library's 2nd Annual Spring Blast Outdoor Festival, a celebration of the Morton Grove Public Library and its community. Games, music and activities for children and teens will be provided. Some activities will be held inside the Library but most will be outdoors. The Field Museum's Renewable Energy Vehicle, Science Chicago, First Robotics Illinois, FermiLab, and Northwestern University will have exciting science, robotics, and "going green" exhibits throughout the festival. If the weather does not cooperate, the Spring Blast will be held inside the Library. Come and join the fun! See flyer for further details.

The Library's READ posters highlight a member or members of the Morton Grove community whose actions and life represent the values of reading and service through community action.

Shown above is the latest poster featuring Mary Busch, Curator of the Morton Grove Historical Museum and North Branch Restoration Project Steward. She is also a Girl Scout Troop Leader, a member of the Hynes/Golf Middle School/ District 67 PTA, volunteer for Eco Club/Prairie Project and Chairperson of the Nature Resource Commission for the Village of Morton Grove.

Concert by Bossa Tres

Sun., April 26, 2 pm

Bossa Tres is a talented trio of Brazilian musicians who sing and play guitars, mandolin, and a variety of percussion instruments, performing Brazilian and Spanish music.

Computer Workshops

Want to learn how to navigate the Internet, create your first blog, or brush up on your Excel skills? Choose a computer workshop suited to your computer skills and interests from the listings in the Library's calendar. Explore what the Library has to offer and register for the class(es) of your choice by calling 847-9298-5101 or go to: calendar.webrary.org

Web Wednesdays

Discover what's available on the Internet! Join us each month for a hands-on computer lab session on a special Internet topic followed by an open discussion of other Internet topics. Web Wednesdays will meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the 2nd floor Conference Room at 7 pm. Morton Grove residents have priority for registration. The first two classes are:

Online Tax Information and Historical Stock Quotes

Wed., March 11, 7 pm

Just in time for tax season, this hands-on workshop will help you find online tax information, including where to get stock prices from the past. Registration is limited to 6.

Online Travel Secrets

Wed., April 8, 7 pm

In this hands-on workshop, you will uncover online travel secrets for planning summer travel. Registration is limited to 6.

Tech Savvy Saturdays

Technology and computer-related lecture/demonstrations will be featured at Tech Savvy Saturdays, held the second Saturday of every month, at 10 am. These presentations are not hands-on. Coffee and light refreshments are served. Registration is limited to 50.

Excel Basics

Sat., March 14, 10 am

Learn how to navigate the menus and shortcuts, create worksheets, and enter data and formulas.

Excel, Intermediate

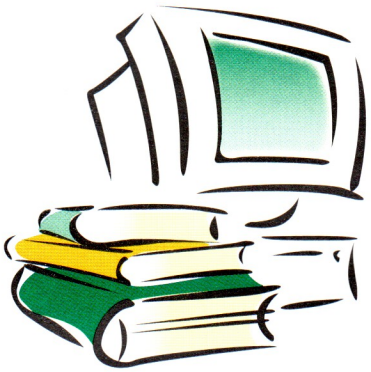
Sat., March 28, 10 am

Learn how to modify worksheets, add graphics, and create charts. Basic knowledge of Excel required.

Blogging

Sat., April 11, 10 am

Looking for an easy way to keep your online friends and family up-to-date on something important in your life – a new baby, big trip, health treatment, career change, or a new business venture? Learn how a free personal blog can provide an Internet link to your ongoing news in this lecture/demonstration.



Small Group Workshops

New, hands-on workshops for small groups will get you started with the Internet, assist you in refining your search skills, introduce you to popular computer applications and more.

Beginning Mouse Workshop

Thurs., March 5, 10 am
Repeated: Wed., April 1, 2 pm

Learn how to hold, move, point, and click a computer mouse. This hands-on workshop is for people who have little or no experience using a mouse. Registration limited to 3.

Getting Started with the Internet

Thurs., March 12, 2 pm
Repeated: Tues., April 7, 10 am

Designed for beginners, this hands-on class will introduce the basics of navigating the Internet. Participants will get a brief description of the Internet, learn about web browsers, web sites, and search engines. They will learn how to input web addresses and how to move around web pages. Registration is limited to 6.

For All Computer Workshops Listed

To find out prerequisites and to register, check the online calendar at calendar.webrary.org, call 847-929-5101, or stop by the Reference Services Desk. Morton Grove residents have priority.

Internet: The Next Step – Searching

Wed., March 18, 10–11:30 am
Repeated: Thurs., April 16, 2–3:30 pm

Learn about search engines, directories, phrase searching, and more to find the information you need. Registration is limited to 6.

Setting Up an E-mail Account: Gmail (Google E-mail) or Yahoo! E-mail

Tues., March 24, 2 pm (Gmail)
Repeated: Tues., April 21, 7 pm (Gmail)
Wed., March 25, 7 pm (Yahoo! E-mail)
Repeated: Thurs., April 23, 2 pm (Yahoo! E-mail)

Using Google e-mail (Gmail) or Yahoo! e-mail, participants will learn how to register for an online e-mail account, compose, retrieve and reply to e-mail. Registration is limited to 4.

Your Library 24/7

Mon., April 13, 7–8:30 pm

There is a wealth of resources available 24/7 from the Library's website. Learn to manage your Library account online, find out how to choose the best electronic resource for your needs and use it effectively. Please bring your MGPL library card to this class. Registration limited to 6.

Intro to Microsoft Word 2007

Tues., April 14, 7 pm

Learn how to set up your page; create, format and illustrate your documents; print, proof and save. Registration limited to 6.

Do More with Word 2007

Thurs., April 30, 7 pm

Topics include page layouts, templates, working with images, columns, headers, themes and tables plus tips for personal applications such as flyers and greeting cards. Registration limited to 6.

Calling All Writers!

MGPL's 2009 Writing Contest deadline is April 6

In honor of National Library Week, April 12-19, the Morton Grove Public Library will be sponsoring its fourth annual writing contest. The theme for 2009 is *Worlds Connect @ Your Library.* Rules for the contest are:

1. Maximum of 500 words
2. Entries must be printed legibly or typed on 8.5 x 11 inch paper
3. On the back of the entry, please print the author's name, address, and age category:
   - students: grades 7-12
   - adults: age 19 and up
4. Entries must be received in the Library by 9 pm, Mon., April 6.

Winners of the contest will be announced April 13, 2009. Prizes: 1st prize for each age category is an iPod Nano; 2nd prize for each age category is an Epson All-in-One printer.

Eleanor Roosevelt: A Portrayal

Sun., March 1, 2 pm

Historical dramatist Roberta Randall portrays the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, from her shy, lonely childhood, to becoming first lady, UN delegate, Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights, newspaper columnist, wife, mother, and world traveler. Co-sponsored by the Morton Grove Historical Society.

In Full Swing

Sun., March 8, 2 pm

They're back and In Full Swing! This talented group of musicians under the direction of Ron Surace, returns to the Library for a lively concert of jazz and big band music.

Barbie's 50th Birthday Party

Sat., March 7, 2 pm

What a doll! Barbie was introduced to the world on March 9, 1958, and has become an icon of glamour known around the world. Bring your Barbie to help celebrate her 50th year. There will be a fashion show, movies, birthday cake, and more! For all ages.

Ultimate Diet Makeover

Sat., March 14, 2 pm

Revamp your diet from breakfast to dinner, including tips for eating out. You'll learn nutritious ways to eat on the run and discover how to successfully change your eating habits forever from Joan Schwaba, a registered, licensed dietitian who specializes in wellness, nutrition, education and nutrition for the elderly.

Scrabble and Chess for Teens and Adults

Sun., March 15, 2 –4 pm
Sun., April 5, 2–4 pm

Dennis Day, Irish Tenor

Tues., March 17, 11:30 am

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, renowned music historian Jack Diamond presents a biography of Dennis Day, the Irish Tenor.

Speed Reading

Sat., March 21, 10 am

The Iris Organization teaches advanced-level reading skills to improve reading speed, comprehension and recall. These skills will allow any reader to absorb more information in less time with better retention. Registration is required; call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk. Online: register at calendar.webrary.org. For adults and teens age 13 and up.

Candidates' Forum

Mon, March 30, 7 pm

Morton Grove candidates for election will present their platforms, discuss Village issues, and answer questions at a forum moderated by the League of Women Voters.

Finding a Job in a Competitive Market

Two Sessions:
Thurs., April 2, 7 pm
Repeated Mon., April 20, 2 pm

Maxine Topper, Supervisor of Employment Services at Jewish

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Personal Finance: Charting a New Course
Sun., April 19, 2 pm

Karen Chan, CFP, University of Illinois Consumer and Family Economics Educator, presents all the tools you need to manage your finances. Learn basic money management practices to help track and trim your spending so that you can reach your financial goals. Workbook provided. Registration is required; call 847-929-5101.

Finding a Job in a Competitive Market
Mon., April 20, 2 pm

(See description for April 2.)

Choose to be GREEN
Tues., April 21, 11:30 am

Come and learn how you can be a better steward of our environment, while also saving money, by implementing simple tips to reduce waste, save energy and conserve water. Mary Allen, Recycling and Education Director for the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), provides resources and special recycling program information.

Savings Fitness: Retirement and Health Care Coverage
Thurs., April 23, 7 pm

Know your rights and responsibilities and how to manage retirement income and health care coverage. Ann-Marie Hartline, Benefits Advisor for the Employee Benefits Security Administration of the Department of Labor, will show you what you need to know to ensure savings fitness.

CALENDAR

Youth Services Classes
Spring Session will run March 16 – May 8. To register, call 847-929-5102 or self-register at: calendar.webrary.org.

Library Playtime
2-Year-Olds & Parents or Caregivers
Thursdays, 10:30 am
Class limit 12 children, 12 parents

Preschool Storytime
Ages 3 – Kindergarten
Wednesdays, 10:30 am OR 1 pm
Class limit – 30

Stories & Stuff
Grade K, 1, and 2; Tuesdays, 6:30 pm
Class limit – 12

DROP-IN CLASSES

Monday Morning Playgroup, 10:30–11:30
Tots of all ages and their parents or caregivers can gather at the Youth Services Library to meet new friends, play and have lots of fun in our activity room.

Drama Club
Friday, Mar. 6 and Apr. 3, 4–5 pm
Ages 6-12. Learn to love acting and meet new friends with fun-filled activities.

Knitting Club
Mondays, 4–5 pm
No registration required. Bring a project or learn a new one. Ages 6 and up.

Listen Up!
Drop-in storytime for preschool children and their caregivers. Tuesdays at 10 am. Children hear stories and songs, interact in a group and do a craft.

Wee Read Lapsit Program
For ages 0 – 24 months. Hear songs and stories and enjoy playtime every Friday at 11 am. Also offered on Sat., Mar. 28 at NEW TIME! 10 am. (No class Apr. 25 due to Spring Blast)

Family Chess
First TUESDAYS Mar. 3, and Apr. 7; 4–5:30 pm.
Beginners and experienced players of ALL ages are welcome.

Crafty Saturday
Mar. 14 and Apr. 11, 10 am–4 pm while supplies last.
Drop in to the YS Dept. to make a seasonal craft.

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Calling All Creative Youth!

The Youth Services Department is sponsoring two ways to spotlight your talents.

Art Contest

Children in preschool – Grade 6 are invited to submit artwork in MGPL's 36th Annual Children's Art Contest. Limit three entries per child. (See flyer or call for contest rules.)

Winners will be displayed in the Baxter Room the month of June. Prizes will be awarded during an art show reception Sunday, June 21. Deadline for submission: Sunday, May 17, at 5 pm.

2009 Summer Reading Program T-Shirt Contest

Theme: Read on the Wild Side
Deadline: April 19; Open to Gr. K - 5
Pick up an entry form and more information in the Youth Services Department.

Bob the Builder Party

Tues., Mar. 3, 6:30 pm
Kids ages 3 to 8, try your skill at constructing something impressive at the Bob the Builder party. You'll receive a personalized construction hat. Several different kinds of construction materials will be available including Legos, Lincoln Logs. wood blocks, and more. A "construction snack" will be served. Limit: 20 children. Registration required; call 847-929-5102.

"Read to Succeed" and "Play and Learn" Raffle Drawing and Wrap-up

Wed., Mar 4, 6:30 pm
Imagine the excitement if you are here when we call your name as one of the winners of our eight super grand prizes and one preschool grand prize. Join in the fun when we draw the winners' names, announce classroom competition results, and generally have a good time. Winners need not be present to win.
No registration required.

Fancy Nancy Party

Tues., Mar. 10, 6:30 pm
You're invited to get fancy with Nancy and attend a fashion show—starring you! Please join us in the Activity Room to celebrate Fancy Nancy with stories, songs, activities, and *hors d'oeuvres* (*hors d'oeuvres* is French for snack; everything is fancier in French.) Boys and girls ages 3-8 are welcome. Dress in your fanciest clothes with tons of accessories and be ready to strut your stuff down the carpet and smile for the parent-paparazzi! Limit: 20. Registration required; call 847-929-5102.

"Saturday, at 10 o'clock, Youth Services will start to rock!"

1st Sat. (3/7; 4/4) – Moovin' n' Groovin' for ages 2-4
2nd Sat. (3/14; 4/11) – Crafty Saturday (10 am – 4 pm)
3rd Sat. (3/21; 4/18) – NEW! Saturday "Shorts"
4th Sat. (3/28) – Saturday Wee Read (NEW TIME -10 am)
5th Sat. (4/25) – Spring Blast

Moovin' and Groovin' for Ages 2–4

Sat., Mar. 7, and April 4; 10 am
Do you have a toddler who likes to dance? Come join the YS staff in this fun, physical activity class that includes music, dancing, marching, musical instruments, parachute games and creative movement. Class size 12 – Registration required; call 847-929-5102.

Crafty Saturday

See details in calendar on this page.

Saturday "Shorts"

March 21 and April 18, 10 am
Showing in the Activity Room – video adaptations of award-winning, classic children's picture books. Recommended for ages 3-8.

Wee Read Lapsit Program

See details in calendar on this page.

Kids Flicks: *Beverly Hills Chihuahua* (2008, G, 91 min.)

Fri., Mar. 13, 4 pm

A pampered Beverly Hills Chihuahua named Chloe finds herself accidentally lost in the mean streets of Mexico. Alone for the first time in her spoiled life, she must rely on some unexpected new friends to lend her a paw.

Honors Performing Arts Showcase

Sun., Mar. 15, 2 pm

This musical program honors the best of the best among area students of the performing arts. These students have reached a high level of excellence and were recommended for this Showcase by their teachers. Each student who performs in this Showcase has shown a special aptitude and level of artistry with their instrument or voice. These young artists will inspire you with their music, hard work and dedication.

Junior Science Café: The Unseen World

Ages 7 and up (Adults welcome)
Sat., March 21, 1–2:30 pm

We are used to seeing the world around us with our eyes alone, but what about the living world we can't see? Join us for this afternoon workshop where we explore the world of the small, and write a story about what we see. You'll leave with a list of resources to become your own scientist at home! A light lunch will be served. Registration is required, call 847-929-5102 for information.

Denis DeBondt: Very Funny Magic!

Sun., Mar. 29, 2 pm

If you love magic and laughing, this is the show for you! Comic magician Mr. DeBondt has been called the "Best Magician for Family Fun" by the Chicago Tribune. He blends a sharp wit with his amazing jaw-dropping tricks. An audience member will float in the air. You will not believe your eyes! This is not just magic for the kids, it is entertainment for the whole family.

Kids Flicks: *Bolt* (2008, PG, 96 min.)

Fri., April 10, 4 pm

Super-dog Bolt, the star of a hit TV show, is accidently shipped from Hollywood to New York City. He begins his biggest adventure yet on a cross-country journey through the real world to get back to his owner and co-star, Penny. Along the way, Bolt discovers he doesn't need superpowers to be a hero.

Junior Science Café: Investigate The World of Nano Technology and How It Impacts Our Environment

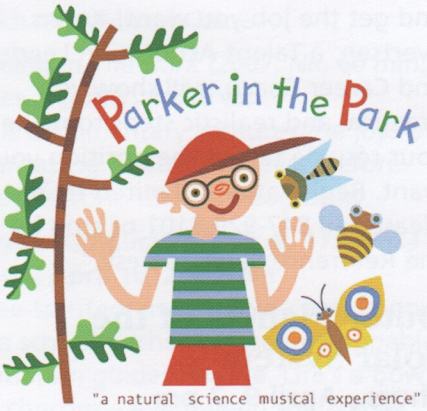
Ages 10 and up (Adults welcome)
Sat., April 11, 1–2:30 pm

Dr. Sandra Bishoni, professor of chemistry at Illinois Institute of Technology, will explore nanotechnology, including nanosensors, and their possible effects on the environment through experimentation on sea crustaceans. A light lunch will be served. Registration is required, call 847-929-5102 for information.

Parker In The Park

Sat., April 18, 2 pm

This unique musical experience will bring science to life for the whole family. Children will discover the wonders of bees, trees, photosynthesis and seeds and much more in this interactive natural science show about the environment.



Playing With Words: A Poetry Workshop, Ages 8-12

Fri., April 24, 4 pm

Words are so much fun to play with, especially when you use them to express your inner-most thoughts or to make people smile. To help celebrate National Poetry Month, we will read and write some awesome poems. Participants will learn about different styles and tones of children's poetry and explore the Library's vast collection. Participants will also write a short poem of their own and share it with the group. Registration required; limit 25 children, ages 8-12.

The Mad Hatters Storytelling Ensemble and Funniest Hat Contest

Sat., May 2, 1 pm

The Junior League of Chicago presents a fun filled story time presented by ladies sporting some very silly-looking hats. In their honor, the Library will have a contest for the funniest hat worn to the program by a child (up to grade 6). The winner will receive a gift card at the end of the program.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

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Vocational Services, presents strategies and tips for finding a job in today's competitive market.

Résumé Makeover

Sat., April 4, 2 pm

It's time to make over your résumé and get the job you want! Karen Evertsen, a Talent Acquisition Leader and Career Coach, will show you practical and realistic steps to make your résumé target the position you want. Registration is limited to 30. Please call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk.

Outer Planets of the Solar System

Thurs., April 9, 7 pm

Join us when Jim Kovac, NASA Ambassador, takes us beyond the asteroid belt, to enter the realm of Jupiter and its amazing Galilean moons: Io, Europa, Ganymeade, and Callisto.

Plans for Lincoln Avenue

Tues., April 14, 11:30 am

Bill Neuendorf, Director of Community and Economic Development for the Village of Morton Grove, discusses plans for Lincoln Avenue.

Manage Your Time to Reduce Your Stress

Wed., April 15, 7 pm

Author Rita Emmett discusses the practical tips outlined in her *Handbook for the Overworked, Overscheduled and Overwhelmed.*

Altered State U

Tues., April 28, 11:30 am

Still Acting Up!, a senior adult performance troupe sponsored by the Skokie Park District and directed by Jill Shellabarger, presents a musical comedy about adults going back to college.

Book Discussions

All Booked Up: *March*
Thurs., March 19, 10 am

Geraldine Brooks' *March* is told from the imagined perspective of Mr. March, the father in *Little Women. March* chronicles his experiences during the Civil War.

Thinking Out Loud: *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
Tues., March 24, 7 pm

Zora Neale Hurston's book is a Depression-era saga of an African-American woman struggling to establish her identity and independence in the midst of trying circumstances.

***The Reader* by Bernhard Schlink**
Sun., March 29, 3:00 pm, at Starbucks, 6763 Dempster

Years after engaging in a torrid affair, Justin is disturbed to witness his former lover, Hannah, on trial for an unspeakable crime. The novel was recently adapted into an Oscar-nominated film.

All Booked Up: *The Zookeeper's Wife*
Thurs., April 16, 10 am

This book sheds light on the little known WWII story of how the keepers of the Warsaw Zoo harbored 300 Jews and resistors during the Nazi occupation of Poland.

***The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch**
Sun., April 26, 3 pm, at Starbucks, 6763 Dempster

Delivered less than a year before his death and converted into a book, Pausch's lecture is a lesson on pursuing childhood dreams, helping others, and living life to the fullest.

Thinking Out Loud: *Loving Frank*
Tues., April 28, 7 pm

Author Nancy Horan fictionalizes the real life events surrounding the scandalous affair between Frank Lloyd Wright and Mamah Cheney.

Wired Teen Zone

Registration is required for some of the programs listed below. Please call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk.

Teen Library Council (TLC)
Tues., March 10, 5 pm
Tues., April 14, 5 pm
Meet new friends, get involved in fun activities, tell us what you want to see at the library, and earn volunteer service hours in the process!

Gettin' Saucy Teen Cooking Class
Tues., March 24, 6 pm
Tues., April 28, 6 pm
Learn to make and prepare delicious food!
Reg. req. Call 847-929-5101

Beads for Teens and Chainmaille Jewelry
Sat., March 14, 3 pm
Sat., April 18, 3 pm
Earrings, Bracelets, Necklaces... Come to the Library and make gifts for you, your friends and family. Supplies and instruction will be provided. For grades 7-12.
Reg. req. Call 847-929-5101

Spring Blast
Sat., April 25th
Spend the afternoon at the Library...video gaming, Sing Star, solar cars, and much more!
See article on page 1.

Get Hooked

Paper Flower Bouquet
Sat., March 28, 10 am – 12 pm

Learn how to make a bouquet of flowers using paper, floral wire and tape. Ages 13 and up. Limited to 20. Registration is required.

Crêpe Paper Roses
Sat., April 25, 10 am – 12 pm

Come to the Conference Room during Spring Blast to learn how to make roses out of crêpe paper.

MOVIES BY THE MONTH

Reel Conversations, discussions about the films, will follow screenings of selected movies.

MARCH

The Brain Fitness Program (2008, NR, 60 min.)
Tues., March 3, 11:30 am
This documentary examines methods of utilizing the brain's neuroplasticity to increase mental agility, speed, and comprehension and to enhance brain function in later years.

Stories of the American Puppet (2007, NR, 60 min.)
Tues., March 10, 11:30 am
From the streets and taverns of colonial America, in vaudeville, on television, and on today's Broadway stage, puppets have been a favorite form of American entertainment. This documentary chronicles the fascinating evolution of this unique art form.

Nights in Rodanthe (2008, PG-13, 97 min.)
Thur., March 19, 2 & 7 pm
A surgeon trying to make sense of his life stays in a remote inn managed by a woman trying to do the same thing. When a storm forces them to lean on each other for strength, they find more than comfort in each other. Cast: James Franco, Richard Gere, Diane Lane, Chris Meloni.

Hawaiian Paradise (2003, NR, 130 min.)
Tues., March 24, 11:30 am
Part 1: Discover the six islands of Kauai, Hawaii, Lanai, Molokai, Maui and Oahu. Go back hundreds of years to a time when Polynesian explorers and their families left their native land in search of a land free of strife, hunger, and persecution, and settled in Hawaii. (Part 2 will be shown March 31.)

Mildred Pierce (1945, B&W, 111 min.)
Fri., March 27, 2 pm
Mildred Pierce is a woman who will do anything to satisfy the demands of her spoiled daughter, Veda, including divorce, opening her own business, and possibly murder. Cast: Joan Crawford, Jack Carson, Zachary Scott, Eve Arden.

The Shawshank Redemption (1994, R, 142 min.)
Sat., March 28, 2 pm
Reel Conversation after film
"Red" Redding is a lifer who knows the ropes at Maine's Shawshank State Prison. New inmate Andy Dufresne is a quiet banker, unjustly accused of a murder. The
two become friends although Andy is full of surprises. Cast: Tim Robbins, Morgan Freeman, Bob Gunton, William Sandler.

Hawaiian Paradise (2003, NR, 130 min.)
Tues., March 31, 11:30 am
Part 2: Shows how the 19th and 20th centuries introduced disease, greed, and violence to the islands. Post World War II Hawaii becomes a popular vacation destination, as the state struggles to protect its beauty.

APRIL

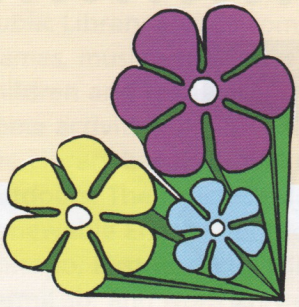
The Dark Knight (2008, PG-13, 153 min.)
Sun., April 5, 2 pm
Batman raises the stakes on his war on crime and sets out to dismantle the remaining criminal organizations that plague the city's streets. Cast: Christian Bale, Heath Ledger, Aaron Eckhart, Michael Caine.

Seeing In The Dark (2007, NR, 60 min.)
Tues., April 7, 11:30 am
This documentary captures the joys of stargazing, featuring never-before-seen astronomical photography.

Happy-Go-Lucky (2008, R, 119 min.)
Thur., April 16, 2 & 7 pm
Free-spirited and effervescent, Poppy is a schoolteacher whose unstoppable optimism guides her life. Life's a bowl of cherries – even when she comes across a few pits. Cast: Sally Hawkins, Elliot Cowan, Alexis Zegerman

The 11th Hour (2008, NR, 132 min.)
Wed., April 22, 2 pm
Reel Conversation after film
Leonardo DiCaprio narrates this documentary exploring the indelible footprint humans have left on this planet, and the catastrophic effects of environmental neglect and abuse.

Australia (2008, PG-13, 165 min.)
Wed., April 29, 2 pm
Reel Conversation after film
When English cattle barons plot to take her land, an aristocrat reluctantly joins forces with a rough-hewn cattle driver to protect her ranch. Together they experience four life-altering years, a love affair, and the bombing of Darwin during WWII. Cast: Bryan Brown, Hugh Jackman, Nicole Kidman, Shea Adams.



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We're also pleased to announce two new series of adult computer classes: Tech Savvy Saturdays and Web Wednesdays. See page 2 for details and watch the EventKeeper calendar (at calendar.webrary.org) for updates and the opportunity to register.

I look forward to seeing you at these and our many other events, workshops and classes.

Exhibits

March

Baxter Room: John Peterson exhibits *Visions in Photography.*
Lincoln Ave. entry: Barbie World

April

Baxter Room: Photography by the Green Briar Camera Club
Lincoln Ave. entry: National Library Week and Volunteer Appreciation

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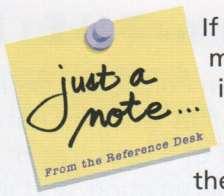
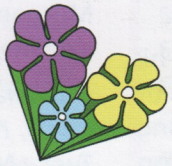


If your family is like mine, you're looking for ways to cut expenses, especially during these difficult economic times. One key household budget item that can be cut is online movie subscriptions. Did you know Morton Grove residents can check out – for free – the same films you get through online services and rental stores? The Library has a large, diverse collection of DVDs for both adults and children, as well as video games. You can choose from recent releases as well as popular films and documentaries covering all types of interests, from adventure to Zanzibar. You'll find award-winning feature films, foreign films, animated films, and much more – you name it, the Library collection has it covered.

You can check out the collection during Library hours or you can look for a specific movie from home using the online catalog at catalog.webrary.org.

So, instead of spending money on movie entertainment, try using the Library – it's free!

Liz McClain
Reference Librarian



Starting a Small Business

This series of six monthly workshops, which began in February, is designed to help answer questions about the regulations, requirements and aspects of operating a small business. Find out if being a business owner is right for you.

Pam Lipton, Manager, Illinois SBDC/Duman Microenterprise Center, Jewish Vocational Service, will guide you through the process. Co-sponsored by MGPL, the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce, and Illinois SBDC/Duman Microenterprise Center, Jewish Vocational Services. Sessions 2 and 3 will be held in March and April:

Entrepreneurial and Business Assessment
Mon., March 2, 3–5 pm

Step-by-Step to a Business Plan
Mon., April 6, 3–5 pm

Registration is required; call 847-929-5101 or stop by the Reference Services Desk.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Sunday, April 12 for Easter

The building will be closed but online services are always available 24/7/365. Go to: 24-7.webrary.org.

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